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MANAGEMENT

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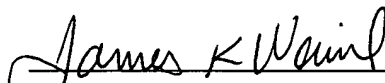
The Office Action dated March 24, 2003, states *inter-alia*: "Restriction to one of the following inventions is required under 35 U.S.C. 121:

- I. Claims 1-8, 16, and 17, drawn to monitoring connections between components, classified in class 709, subclass 223.
- II. Claims 9-15, drawn to a graphical user interface with different views, classified in class 305, subclass 734".

Applicants hereby provisionally elect for examination Claims 1-8, 16, and 17, with traverse, and cancel without prejudice Claims 9-15.

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